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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), submitted herewith for consideration by the examiner are the documents identified on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 which may be considered material to the examination of the above-identified application. Each item of information contained herein was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to filing of this paper.

An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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